

In the Specification:

On page 1, after the title and before the "Field on Invention" heading, please insert the following new paragraph:

Cross-Reference to Related Applications:

This non-provisional continuation application claims benefit of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/042,609, entitled "Vehicle Tampering Protection System," filed on January 9, 2002, which in turn claims benefit of U.S. Patent Provisional Application Serial No. 60/332,934, entitled "Vehicle Tampering Protection System," filed on November 6, 2001.

On page 4, delete the paragraph beginning on line 9, and in its place, insert the following new paragraph:

A method of providing a vehicle monitoring system for ensuring accurate vehicle distance travel data comprises the first step of receiving vehicle velocity data signals from a remote satellite system. In one embodiment, a separate memory unit stores data received by the remote satellite system. In another embodiment, the vehicle odometer data and on-board speed sensor data are recorded in a wireless vehicle communication system. Since the satellite signals are not real time data, a duration of stable vehicle velocity is required prior to comparing the satellite and speed sensor velocity values. A velocity difference is calculated between the on-board vehicle speed sensor velocity and the vehicle velocity data signals as received from a remote satellite system. The velocity difference is compared to an acceptable tolerance.

On page 5, just prior to the paragraph beginning on line 28, insert the following new paragraph:

In one embodiment, vehicle odometer data may be recorded in a wireless communication device. This recordation allows for alternative methods for periodic communication of odometer information to the fleet office. This method is especially beneficial for quality control and system back-up procedures.